

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For : SYSTEM FOR EXCHANGING MAIL AMONG MEMBERS BELONGING  
TO GROUP

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Final Official Action of October 11, 2007, in which the three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on January 11, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 29 of this Response.